



AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL  
EXPEDITED PROCEDURE  
ART UNIT 1634

PATENT  
Attorney Docket No.: JHU1660-1

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant: Nelson et al. Art Unit: 1634  
Serial No.: 09/687,246 Examiner: J. Souaya  
Filed: October 12, 2000  
Title: METHODS OF DIAGNOSING AND TREATING HEPATIC CELL  
PROLIFERATIVE DISORDERS

MAIL STOP AF  
Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

**PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME**

Sir:

This is a request under the provisions of 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a) to extend the period for filing a response to the Final Office Action dated January 10, 2003.

The requested extension is for one (1) month, extending the period for response from April 10, 2003, to May 10, 2003.

CERTIFICATION UNDER 37 CFR §1.8

I hereby certify that the documents referred to as enclosed herein are being deposited with the United States Postal Service as first class mail on May 12, 2003, in an envelope addressed to: MAIL STOP AF, Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450.

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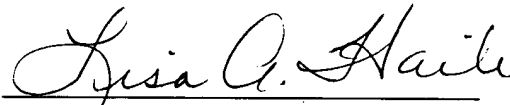
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A check for the sum of \$55.00 is enclosed to cover the one-month Extension of Time fee. Please charge Deposit Account No. 50-1355 for any other fees or credits believed to be due. A copy of the Transmittal Sheet is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

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